GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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DRUG PURCHASE NORMS
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that norms for the purchase of drugs for CGHS dispensaries are not being followed;

(b) if so, details thereof;

(c) the steps taken to identify the reasons for irregularities in the purchase of drugs; and

(d) the action taken/proposed to be taken against the officers found guilty?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) & (b) The formulary medicines for CGHS allopathic dispensaries are procured by placing in advance the annual indents with the Govt. Medical Store Depots under the Medical Stores Organisation (MSO) situated in various parts of the country. The MSO, purchases the medicines for all the indenters strictly as per Government norms and then supplies the same to the indenters including CGHS.

In case the MSO is not able to supply medicines to the CGHS, the same are purchased from the authorised local chemists appointed by CGHS on a day to day basis against individual prescriptions of the beneficiaries and supplied to the beneficiaries thereafter.

(c) & (d) In view of (a) and (b) above the questions do not arise.